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ANNUAL REPORTS  
OF THE  
SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,  
TREASURER AND AUDITORS,  
OF THE  
TOWN OF WINDHAM  
FOR THE  
Financial Year ending March 1st, 1869,

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## TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1868.

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SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

DR. GEO. H. GREENE, REV. JOSEPH LANMAN.

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TOWN CLERK.

JAMES COCHRAN.

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SELECTMEN AND OVERSEERS OF POOR.

WILLIAM C. HARRIS, BENJAMIN O. SIMPSON,  
GEORGE COPP.

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TREASURER.

WILLIAM C. HARRIS.

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COLLECTOR.

JOSEPH W. DINSMOOR.

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AUDITORS.

EDWIN O. DINSMOOR, ROBERT P. MORRISON.

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CONSTABLES.

BENJ. O. SIMPSON, GEORGE W. WESTON.



## SCHOOL REPORT.

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*To the inhabitants of Windham :*

Having decided to leave this town and accordingly resigning the functions of school-committee, I would render the following report, covering that portion of the year which has passed.

I shall also allude briefly to some points by way of suggestion, leaving the full consideration of them to be developed at the leisure of the parties which they most intimately concern, namely the people and the friends of schools, or to my successor in his report.

It is pleasant to record so much that is desirable. Among my reminiscences of Windham, will ever be cherished the recollection of her interest in the cause of education—an interest far in advance of that of many towns with a much larger population.

Everything pertaining to schools receives a good degree of attention. You cheerfully meet whatever demands are made upon your time or your money. You are glad, whenever opportunity offers to visit your schools, thereby encouraging both teachers and scholars. Although this may seem a small consideration, at first thought, I assure you that reflection will convince you that it is an important one. The work of teacher and scholar deserves recognition. It is one of the most vital in importance, as well as one of the most potent in its relations to society. I am pleased, then, that so many of you publicly recognize its claims.

Your school buildings are generally in good repair. There are a few exceptions, and there being so few exceptions, they become the more conspicuous where they exist.

More provision should be made, however, for maps, and other illustrations, black-boards, &c.

Care has usually been taken to secure good teachers, and when they have been obtained, you have usually given them that moral support and sympathy, without which the best of teachers will find their success diminished and their pupils likely to be growing

rude and disrespectful—a disgrace to their parents and to their neighborhood. It is gratifying to think that this is not true to any great extent, in any considerable part of this community, if anywhere in the New England States. But human nature is the same in all parts of the world. Too much care cannot be exercised even in our own favored section. Every year, in some quarter or other, we hear of little instances of “unpleasantness ;” to copy a mild word for a very serious state of things—which plainly shows in what direction the danger lies.

Teachers are not perfect ; but it is cheering to know that they are held in consideration for their official capacity, and that youth are not encouraged in defiance or disrespect towards them.

The remedy for incapacity, should it exist, lies not in the hands of children. From the nature of the case it cannot. The legal prescription is plain, and never fails.

Most of your schools have been favored the present year with prolonged terms, or with an additional or Fall term. But some, even of the best of such schools, would have been no losers, had the same money which was expended in their support been paid the teachers in consideration of shorter terms. In this way, teachers would have been more adequately remunerated for their services, while pupils would have had the benefit of more vigorous health, enjoyed alike by each. Teachers deserve higher wages, at least, all do who are worthy of their calling. If there are any who disagree with me, a few days’ service would convince them of the correctness of my position.

Another advantage to be derived from short terms. I do not advocate fewer weeks in the actual school year ; would be the diminished number of instances of absence and tardiness. In a neighborhood where the people are widely separated from each other, there will be more or less of these reports. But if the terms are of moderate length, most of the duties required of the older children, can be performed in vacation, or during the daily intermissions.

It is to be feared, that not all of the “black marks” entered against so many names can demand a perfect excuse. It is but just, however, to excuse many cases by reason of the prevalence at different times, and in some localities, of a mild epidemic, which precluded the attendance of some for many weeks together.

Let there be exercised by parents due caution that their children are in school, promptly at the beginning, and constantly to its close, and let them render an excuse to the teacher, whenever absence or tardiness is unavoidable, and, if the teacher is suitably in earnest, this kind of delinquency will be very much abated.



More labor should be bestowed upon teaching penmanship. The time has passed, if it ever existed, when a scholar could be satisfied with a miserable or an illegible handwriting, be his attainments in other respects, what they may.

I have here indicated some of the deficiencies, as well as the excellent points in our schools. In most respects you have reason to rejoice at results. But we cannot be so far satisfied as to fold our hands and look back contented with what has been attained, in any respect. We must constantly "press forward." If you have done well in the past, teacher, scholar, citizen, remember that the price of progress is activity of brain and hand.

Let the same zeal be used in educational matters, which you bring to bear upon the improvements of your farms or of your individual finances. Remember that what has been done is comparatively trivial, when it is measured by what may be done. Continue to care for schools; but never rest content with their excellence, however exalted it may be.

In closing these general remarks, I would acknowledge the spirit of sympathy which has made the labors of teachers and pupils so successful, and so far removed asperity from the path of your committee.

#### DISTRICT NO. 1.

Miss Gordon, of Salem, was teacher during the Summer and Autumn terms, which have passed. The Winter term has some weeks been in progress under her instruction. Her efforts have been mainly successful, although, perhaps the Summer term afforded the most gratifying results. Reading and spelling received considerable attention. Some of the classes in mathematics, geography and grammar, succeeded well. Writing books were generally neat and exhibited improvement.

The pupils deserve great credit for their uniformly excellent deportment at the Summer examination, during one of the hottest afternoons of the season.

While their friends were trying to secure comfort by the use of fans and by change of position, the former endured the heat like young stoics.

I was not present at the close of the second term. But I believe that it began and continued under more "favorable auspices" than the Winter term, in which somewhat of a "secession spirit" cropped out at first. But at this date, matters appear to have assumed a more quiet aspect, and tolerable order and "good feeling" begin to prevail.

## DISTRICT NO. 2.

The summer and fall terms were taught by Miss Susan M. Smith of Pelham. Miss Smith having had charge of this school before, came with increased benefit to both parties. Though less attention than the occasion demanded was given to the matter of deportment, accuracy and promptness characterized the recitations. Perhaps ill health should be a sufficient apology for her failing to secure perfect order. Some of the more advanced among the girls and some of the youngest scholars would have elicited commendation in any school as good readers.

Throughout the second term we believe the same excellences prevailed; but space will not allow of particular description of the interesting exercises at its close.

## DISTRICT NO. 3.

Mrs. M. J. Smith of this town, a teacher of reputation, was employed. Her testimonials were good, and from her qualifications, as shown by examination, I expected a good school. At the close of the summer term it was evident that many of the children had profited through her instruction. Although the school was not quite what is desirable, there was nothing so marked as to cause apprehension for another term. In the autumn, however, we were forcibly reminded of the proverb of the "prophet in his own country." The session of the school abruptly terminated when the teacher had satisfied herself, probably, that there would be no advantage to be derived from her further continuance with it. I am sure, that under trials less severe, she would have maintained her former rank as a teacher. As it was, she endured opposition which few could have met successfully.

## DISTRICT NO. 4.

Taught by Miss Lucy M Boyd of Londonderry. Summer term an excellent school. There was little with which fault could be found, either in teacher or her charge. I think however, that some criticisms would not be out of place from any one who should carefully observe the copy-books. Some learners forget that in writing, merit does not consist in the number of the pages of clean paper destroyed, nor in the rapidity with which such work can be executed. This was not the only school in which writing-books were thus treated. But, of course, any defects are "set off" conspicuously where they are so unlooked for as in this instance.

The term closed with an extended programme of reviews of the term's work, with acceptable music, dialogues, &c.

The second term was worthy of the teacher and the district.



The third appears well, with only one drawback, and that is too much levity. Good nature is compatible with seriousness. It is not always so with levity.

#### DISTRICT NO. 5.

The summer term was taught by Miss Martha Hills. There were only eight weeks in which to accomplish her work, but teacher and scholars made the most of it. Miss H. sustained the reputation which she has formerly borne, and which demands no proof where she has been employed. The second term, Miss Marden, teacher, appears prosperous.

#### DISTRICT NO. 6

The summer term was a long one, which was properly divided into two sessions by a short recess. Miss Amanda Cloyd of Pelham, had charge of the school. Her constant and zealous interest in the welfare and progress of her pupils was rewarded by the evidence of hearty co-operation on their part. As is always the case when a first-class teacher is secured, some pupils found, for the first time, the signification of the phrase, "hard study"; and, what is more, they learned to love study. This is immeasurably more valuable as an attainment, than are the lessons learned from the text-book. In regard to discipline, clearness of statement and promptness in recitation, and correct expression in reading, your committee was well satisfied. Miss Cloyd evinced unusual aptness for her calling, and added one to the list of excellent teachers which Pelham has supplied to take the places of those who have left our town for schools in other places.

#### DISTRICT NO. 7.

Miss Ellen L. Kimball of Methuen, Mass., is now conducting this school through its course of a single term. These duties are not new to her; and from her former success, as well as from the promise of the present, we predict a profitable result.

GEORGE H. GREENE

Windham, Nov. 23, 1868.

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### SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.

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To the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Dr. Greene, the present incumbent was appointed Dec. 12. At this time the Winter schools, with one exception, were all in progress. All that need to be said respecting the work accomplished in the several districts during this fragment of the year, may be comprised in the following statements.



1. The examination in district No. 1 was in many respects creditable to both teacher and scholars. The writing-books and the recitations in geography received special commendation. The primary classes in arithmetic did well. The advanced pupils discovered some want of familiarity with elementary principles. There were indications that the school had not been very successfully governed. It may not be out of place here to suggest to teachers and parents the importance of stimulating the interest of our children and youth in study, by informing them, as opportunity offers, of new facts. Such works as the Pacific R. R., the Panama R. R., the Suez Canal and the Atlantic Telegraph have brought to light much that is new in physical geography, and are powerfully influencing the political boundaries of nations. They are within the comprehension of all, who study geography and furnish appropriate and interesting topics for remark in the school-room or at the fire-side. No teacher or parent who reads the papers, need be without useful information bearing directly on common school studies: and our children should not be left in total ignorance of important facts, though these facts may not have obtained place in the books. Surely no good teacher can afford to neglect such resources for making study attractive.

2. The Winter term in this district was conducted by Miss Ella F. Bachelder, who is a recent graduate of one of the higher institutions of learning for young ladies, and now a resident of this town. Miss Bachelder's beginning in the work of instruction was in many respects good. She evinced fondness for her chosen work, and has some just ideas respecting method. Proceeding on the doctrine that excellence in scholarship is attained not by going over many principles but by mastering a few, she made an earnest effort at thoroughness in instruction. The classes in reading and spelling appeared well. The marked progress of one primary class merited special praise. The rules in arithmetic were well memorized, though not in all cases so perfectly understood as to be readily applied. The examination in grammar was necessarily brief, but the progress in this branch was thought to be satisfactory. Perfect order has not prevailed throughout the term, but no serious trouble has arisen. At the examination the appearance of the school was entirely unexceptionable. Owing to the length of the term and the requisition made by parents upon some of the advanced pupils, the size of the school, towards its close, was somewhat reduced. The average attendance, however, as will be seen by reference to the statistical tables, appended to this report, was tolerably fair.

3. After a recess of several weeks, the school in district No. 3,

was re-opened under the tuition of Mr. Geo. Emerson, of Pinkerton Academy, of Derry. Mr. Emerson was inexperienced in teaching, but succeeded in maintaining excellent order, and, considering the brevity of his term of service, his pupils showed commendable progress. The examination in geography was admirably sustained. The recitations of the advanced class in mathematics evinced imperfect understanding of the fundamentals of the science. The committing to memory of Scripture texts, which has been required by the former teacher, was encouraged, and several good recitations were made. Select declamations added to the interest of the closing exercises.

4. The examination in district No. 4, though the day was stormy and the roads unbroken, brought together a considerable number of parents and friends. This school maintained the good name which it has long borne. The teacher had evidently won the affection and respect of her pupils and perhaps had relied a little too much on this to obtain order. Laxity in government, however, was not a conspicuous defect. The number of weeks which Miss Boyd has had the management of the school covers the whole school-year and the benefits which arise from retaining a good teacher, were well illustrated in this case. The classes were well graded, the amount of matter gone over was above the average result of a single term in our district schools, and, with inconsiderable exceptions, a good understanding of principles has been obtained. The exercises in arithmetic revealed the painstaking efforts of the instructress, to teach her pupils to give a reason for every step.

Music, select declamation and the presentation of a memorial gift to the teacher, prefaced by a neat address by one of the young ladies, lent additional attractiveness to the otherwise interesting exercises in No. 4.

5. The school in district No. 5 was a success from beginning to end. The check to its prosperity, which the school might have received from its change of teachers, was in this instance happily averted. During the first part of the term, the school was under the care of Miss Marden, whose resignation was necessitated by an engagement which she had formed on the supposition that it would continue only six weeks. The term thus begun was no less successfully carried to its close by Mrs. Margaret Smith. The appearance of the school, both at the preliminary and final examinations, justified almost unqualified praise. The order, which was such as comes from the habit of obedience, was perfect. The teachers were treated with the respect which is due to their position and which is always becoming to pupils. The recitations in all branches were excellent.

6. The term in district No. 6 will continue about a week after the publication of this report. Nothing has transpired to disappoint the expectations raised by Miss Cloyd's former success in this district. With superior qualifications, Miss Cloyd unites uncommon enthusiasm for her vocation, and the result of this combination is a most excellent school. Unless No. 4 be excepted, there is a greater range of studies here than in any other district in town, and it can be truly affirmed that all the classes, from the primary to the most advanced, have made decided improvement. When all are superior it is difficult to select individual instances of excellence; but the neatness of the writing-books, the thorough comprehension of the rules in arithmetic and grammar and readiness in applying them, and the admirable drill in spelling, are deserving of particular note. Miss Cloyd has enlivened her school by introducing an exercise in mental arithmetic, which your committee recommends to every public school teacher. This exercise is designed for all who have studied the four rules of arithmetic, and consists in a series of additions, subtractions, &c., made slowly or rapidly, as the pupils have ability, and prolonged according to the judgment of the teacher. Such discipline imparts vigor, elasticity and accuracy to the movements of the mind.

7. The present Superintending School Committee is pleased to report the fulfillment of the prediction of his predecessor in regard to the school in No. 7. Miss Kimball's faithfulness has been suitably rewarded. Her pupils manifested an earnest spirit, and have made commendable progress. It was apparent that both teacher and scholars had endeavored to make the most of the term. Considering that this district has only one term a year, and that not a long one, the average attendance was quite small. However, this was partly due to sickness among scholars, and was occasioned in no degree by defect in instruction.

JOSEPH LANMAN,

*Supt. School Committee.*

Windham, March 1, 1869.



## STATISTICAL TABLES.

## I.

## PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEES AND TEACHERS.

COMMITTEES.	TEACHERS IN SUMMER.	TEACHERS IN WINTER.
1. Absalom Heseltine.	Miss Mary A. Gordon.	Miss Mary A. Gordon.
2. Olynthus A. Simpson.	Miss Susan M. Smith.	Miss Ella F. Batchelder.
3. John L. Hardy.	Mrs. M. J. H. Smith.	{ Mrs. M. J. H. Smith. { Mr. Geo. Emerson.
4. Joseph P. Crowell.	Miss Lucy M. Boyd.	Miss Lucy M. Boyd.
5. Rei Hills.	Miss Martha Hills.	{ Miss L. P. Marden. { Mrs. M. J. H. Smith.
6. Robert P. Morrison.	Miss M. Amanda Cloyd.	Miss M. Amanda Cloyd.
7. Nathaniel Riley.	Miss Ellen L. Kimball.	

## II.

	Summer Schools.							Winter Schools.							
Districts.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Length in weeks.....	8	19	14	18	8	16		15	14	8	14	10	15	12	
Number of scholars.....	33	27	24	29	17	33		44	27	28	24	18	41	19	
Average attendance....	29½	20	21	22	15½	27½		34	19	17½	20½	16	34½	12	
Tardiness.....	40	62	11	22	6	103		176	33	25	29	5		42	
Scholars not absent ½ day..	7	1	15	12	6	0		0	0	6	0	11		4	
Visits by S. S. Committee..	2	2	4	3	3	3		4	3	4	2	2		3	
“ Prudential Committee	0	1	1	1	1	1		0	0	1	0	1		1	
Wages per month.....	\$26	24	20	22	22	26		\$26	30	22	50	28	22	30	24

## III.

Amount of money appropriated to district No. 1.....				\$168 36
"	"	"	" No. 2.....	188 75
"	"	"	" No. 3.....	135 72
"	"	"	" No. 4.....	73 34
"	"	"	" No. 5.....	104 68
"	"	"	" No. 6.....	131 29
"	"	"	" No. 7.....	68 21

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

From the 1st day of March, 1868, to the 1st day March, 1869, the

Treasurer is charged with the following receipts, viz.:—

Cash balance on hand, March 1, 1868.....	\$ 913 61
Received of selectmen for 1857.....	168 79
Rei Hills, collector for 1865.....	103 38
M B Kimball, do 1866.....	140 00
J W Dinsmore, do 1867.....	3,096 53
do do 1868.....	2 635 65
State treasurer, savings bank tax...	148 50
Railroad money....	341 32
Literary do.....	38 70
County treasurer for support of county paupers.....	242 16
H P Hood for milk sold from town farm .....	75 23
Rubbish sold at town house.....	20 95
Geo W Weston, building material....	5 00
James C Clyde for town farm.....	2,200 00
Personal property sold at do.....	1,097 79
Daniel C Davidson, for grass sold...	1 50
John Sanders, use of town team.....	1 50
L J Slate, upon settlement of account book .....	14 24
R P Morrison, highway tax of heirs of John Kelley, for the year 1867..	2 50
Hired of sundry persons .....	4,052 00
Use of town-house.....	41 00
Horace Berry, interest on bill... ..	15
John Hills, for selling oxen at auction	1 00
Collector for 1867, interest on taxes..	63 15
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	\$15,404 65

The Treasurer is credited with payments as follows, viz.:

Paid on account of schools.

Districts.	Town Appropriations.	Literary Money.	Canine Tax.	Total.
No 1	\$142 10	\$7 41	\$18 85	\$168 36
2	165 15	4 75	18 85	188 75
3	110 22	6 65	18 85	135 72
4	48 98	5 51	18 85	73 34
5	82 60	3 23	18 85	104 68
6	105 20	7 24	18 85	131 29
7	45 75	3 61	18 85	
		2 56 for 1866.		70 77
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				\$872 91

## Paid notes and interest as follows:

Sally Caldwell 2 notes & interest.....	\$ 205 64
Sally Carr 3 do.....	358 71
Hannah J Davidson 2 do.....	123 36
Thomas Elenwood, interest.....	24 00
Zelpha Elenwood, do.....	24 00
Silas Armstrong, do.....	225 90
John Hills, do.....	45 84
Sarai Armstrong, do.....	115 32
Jerusha Kelley, do.....	76 62
Wm C Harris, agent for school district No. 6, note and interest.....	23 44
N A Randlett, interest.....	72 00
Heirs of F D Anderson, do.....	18 63
Col Thomas Nesmith, part of note.....	3,000 00
do do interest.....	283 50
Thomas A Rowell, do.....	195 59
Jacob Rowell, do.....	159 92
Helen F Knight, note and interest.....	409 46
Wm Taylor, balance of note and interest.....	526 20
Eliza Hills, interest.....	133 00
Clara Hills, do.....	134 00
Doct D O Smith, do.....	38 19
Eunice Harris, part of note and interest.....	85 50
Harriet Dinsmore, 3 notes and interest.....	460 59
A E Simpson, agent dist No 2, interest.....	6 00
David Crowell, note and do.....	1,193 94
F A Marden, interest.....	6 00
Sally Carr, part of note.....	60 00
John Gregg, note and interest.....	516 52
Wm D Cochran, do.....	203 00
Wm C Harris, agent ministerial fund, interest.....	16 16

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## PAID TOWN OFFICERS.

B E Blanchard, superintending school com., 1867.....	38 50
do expense of procuring and distributing school books.....	8 00
Dr Geo H Greene, supt school com, 1868.....	26 00
Rev Joseph Lanman, do.....	15 00
James Cochran, town clerk.....	20 00
Hiram S Reynolds, balance due as selectmen, 1867.....	10 00
Benj O Simpson, do.....	6 50
Geo Copp, do.....	6 00
Rei Hills, auditor & assisting in making town report, '67	8 00
R P Morrison, do.....	5 00
Wm C Harris, selectman, 1868.....	117 39
Benj O Simpson, do.....	35 97
Geo Copp, do.....	74 87
Wm C Harris, treasurer and making report.....	16 00



Wm C Harris, moderator, March. 1868.....	1 00
Joseph W Dinsmoor, collector, 1868.....	89 69
Edwin O Dinsmoor, auditor do. ....	5 00
R P Morrison, do.....	5 00

## SELECTMEN'S EXPENSES.

Wm C Harris, use of team.....	15 42
Benj O Simpson, do and expenses.....	19 00
Geo Copp, do.....	25 00

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\$547 34

## SNOW PATHS.

Nathaniel Ripley	33 hours	\$ 5 50
Moses Sargent	60 do	10 00
Jacob B Barker	42 do	7 00
Joseph B Proctor	12 do	2 00
Horace Berry	21 do	3 50
Oliver A Holmes	24 do	4 00
John Campbell	72 do	12 83
Joseph S Clark	42 do	7 00
Samuel W Simpson	30 do	5 00
Samuel Bailey	105 do	17 50
Richard Esty	69 do	11 50
John D Emerson	36 do	6 00
Wm P Simpson	34 do	5 67
Moses Sargent	60 do	10 00
William Pecker	46 do	7 67
Charles W Campbell	133 do	22 17
Joseph S Clark	18 do	3 00
Abel Dow	67 do	11 17

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\$151 51

No snow bills incurred during the past winter.

## HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Abram Woodbury, Plank.....	\$ 2 05
Moses Sargent, labor.....	3 00
Leonard A Morrison, labor.....	3 60
Joseph W Dinsmore, do.....	144 93
William Buck, do.....	30 83
Wm P Simpson, plank and spikes...	2 98
Chas W Campbell, do.....	1 30
Caleb Clark, plank and labor.....	19 04
Samuel W Simpson, stringers.....	2 50
Runnels & Butler, plank and stringers.....	5 33
Lyman Drake, sharpening drills.....	1 50
Thomas K Webster, labor.....	21 12

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\$238 18

## ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

1867.	Paid Barret & Thomas, error.....	\$ 7 68
1863.	Samuel W Simpson, do.....	79
1867.	Asa Buck, over 70. ....	4 79
1868.	Benj O Simpson, error.....	20 66
	Calvin Boardman, do.....	1 39
1867.	Joseph W Dinsmoor, collector, 1867.....	50 32
	Rei Hills, do 1865.....	45 09
	M B Kimball, do 1866.....	31 82
	Frederick A Varnum, dog tax and interest....	1 08
	Chas W Campbell, do .....	1 03
	Thomas W Simpson, do .....	1 00
	John L Hardy, do .....	1 00
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		\$166 65

## NON-RESIDENT HIGHWAY RECEIPTS.

Paid Joseph W Dinsmoor, collector, 1867.....	\$ 6 85
do do 1868. ....	22 48
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	\$29 33

## SHEEP KILLED BY DOGS.

1867.	Paid Horace Berry for 6 sheep.....	\$23 00
"	Wm H Armstrong 1 sheep.....	5 00
"	Henry Clark, 2 sheep killed & others damaged, 10 00	
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		\$38 00

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid L J Slate, overseer Town Farm for 1867.....	\$200 00
do do do 1868.....	172 50
do grindstone & use of wag'n & sleigh for '67-8,	14 50
Chas W Campbell for 2 cows and calf.....	147 00
Ebenezer Lewis, care of town-house and hearse-house for 1867-8.....	9 75
Paid W H Fisk, printing town reports, check lists, &c....	43 46
J Ketchell, set weights and measures and interest....	35 77
Sawyer & Stevens, services in Kelly case.....	27 00
C H & C U Bell, do do .....	80 00
A W Sawyer, advice in Haskell case.....	2 00
Wm A Dinsmoor, watering trough.....	2 00
A E Simpson, do .....	2 00
Hiram Sargent, pasturing oxen.....	10 00
Expense of conveying G F Bailey to Military Asylum at Augusta.....	6 15
Paid G F Bailey at Augusta.....	5 00
I A Dutton, deputy sheriff's cost in Haskell case....	3 02
Francis Bartley, goods for town farm.....	43 70
L J Slate, board of Theodore Clyde, N Webster and Geo Chase from Oct 16, 1868, to Feb 18, 1869.....	125 00

Paid Francis Bartley, 2 pr Loots for Clyde and Chase.....	6 00
L J Slate & others, cloth'g for Clyde, Chase & Webster	14 95
Supplies furnished transient persons.....	4 90
Town of Derry & Wm C Harris, board of James Clark,	4 00
Clothing for James Clark.....	16 62
Dana Richardson, board of James Clark.....	26 15
Supplies furnished Sanderson family, Spring of 1863,	18 00
Dr Geo H Greene, med. attend on Sanderson family.	7 50
Supplies furnished Amos Hamblet....	7 03
George Copp, moving goods for Amos Hamblet.....	6 00
W C Harris, car fare to and from Manchester 3 times,	2 70
do do do Exeter.....	1 90
do do do Concord twice.....	3 80
do do Concord from Manchester, N.	
Webster .....	55
Paid hack hire at Concord, on account of N Webster.....	1 00
3 books.....	1 46
Stationery and postage.....	2 62
Town clerk of Merrimack for certificate.....	58
Cloth for book bag .....	35
Mrs Hillis, board of M Dielephan.....	45
Meals out of town.....	2 25
S N Bell for advice.. ..	1 00
Telegraphing and examination of County records ...	2 27
Rei Hills, watering trough.....	3 00
James Cochran, taking care of town house.....	17 00
Benj E Blanchard wood.....	5 50
F Bartley, kerosene oil.....	5 00
J W Dinsmoor, music stand.....	2 00

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Expense of selling the Real and Personal Estate of the Town.

Paid Hills, Marden & Reynolds as appraisers.....	\$ 3 00
F A Marden, surveyor of hay and lumber.....	1 00
for auction bills and advertising .....	6 50
O F Fowler, auctioneer.....	40 00
Government tax.....	1 80
for lunch at auction.....	14 80
Geo W Weston as clerk two days, &c....	4 78
F A Marden, clerk $\frac{1}{2}$ day... ..	1 00
D C Davidson, 4 tumblers lost at auction .....	40
B E Blanchard, surveying town farm.....	3 00
L J Slate, assisting in surveying.....	1 00
do for 5 meals.....	1 00
for making deed of town farm....	1 50
Gov't stamps on deed of town farm.....	2 50

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\$82 28

RECAPITULATION.

Whole amount received by Treasurer during year end-



ing March 1, 1869.....	\$15,404 65
Paid for schools.....	\$ 872 91
Notes and interest.....	8,741 03
Town officers.....	547 34
Snow paths.....	151 51
Roads and bridges.....	238 18
Abatement of taxes.....	166 65
Non-resident highway receipts.....	29 33
for sheep killed by dogs.....	38 00
for Miscellaneous.....	1,083 43
for selling town property.....	82 28
for town house repair committee.....	2,974 28
Cash in treasury.....	479 71
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	\$15,404 65 -

## DATE AND AMOUNT OF NOTES AGAINST THE TOWN.

	One note of \$	Interest paid to
1864. Feb 26.	\$2 00	Feb 26, 1869
Aug 22.	400 00	Mar 1.
Sept 17.	300 00	Sept 17, 1868
Sept 17.	200 00	Sept 17.
Sept 22.	800 00	Mar 1, 1869
Oct 22.	100 00	Oct 22, 1868
Oct 23.	300 00	Oct 28.
Oct 31.	155 00	Oct 31.
Nov 21.	1,000 00	Nov 21.
Nov 23.	200 00	Nov 23.
Nov 29.	200 00	Nov 29.
Dec 3.	2,000 00	Dec 3.
Dec 29.	100 00	Dec 29.
1865. Jan 1.	114 40	Jan 1, 1869
July 3.	50 00	July 3, 1868
July 14.	1,000 00	July 14.
July 14.	1,000 00	Mar 1, 1869
Nov 23.	200 00	Nov 23, 1868
1866. Mar 1.	1,078 00	Mar 1, 1869
Mar 1.	703 00	Mar 1.
May 30.	800 00	May 30, 1868
Aug 29.	450 00	Aug 29.
Sept 7.	100 00	Sept 7.
Dec 3.	100 00	Dec 3.
1867. July 5.	100 00	July 5.
1868. Jan 25.	100 00	Jan 25, 1869
April 1.	200 00	
April 12.	100 00	
April 12.	100 00	
April 15.	300 00	
July 1.	100 00	
July 20.	400 00	
Aug 19.	300 00	
Sept 9.	500 00	
Oct 31.	800 00	
1869. Jan 1.	100 00	
Jan 1.	100 00	
Feb 1.	100 00	
Feb 1.	122 00	

\$14,354 40

Interest due on above notes, March 1, 1869.. 259 49

Amount of outstanding orders..... 68 68

Estimated bills unsettled... 105 00

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\$14,787 57

## NOTES AND ACCOUNTS IN FAVOR OF THE TOWN.

Amount of notes on acc't of sales at auction at town farm....	\$ 504 65
Interest due on same March 1, 1869.....	12 25
Due from County.....	64 79
do Collector for 1866.....	12 72
do do 1867.....	129 71
do do 1868.....	3,168 18
Interest due from Collector for 1868.....	159 49
Balance in hands of Treasurer.....	479 71 \$4,531 50

Whole amount of Town Debt.....\$10,256 07

Respectfully submitted.

Windham, March 1, 1869.

W. C. HARRIS, Treasurer.

The undersigned have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, to date, and find the same correctly cast.

EDWIN O. DINSMOOR, }  
ROBERT P. MORRISON, } Auditors.

## REPORT OF TOWN HOUSE REPAIR COMMITTEE.

Cash received of Town Treasurer.....	\$2,974 28
Cash paid for foundation .....	\$ 137 71
“ “ House Proper.....	2,561 06
“ “ Furniture .....	265 51
“ “ Expenses of dedication.....	10 00
	—————\$2,974 28

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. W. WESTON, }  
W. C. HARRIS, } Committee.  
GEO COPP. }

March 1st, 1869.

The undersigned have examined the above accounts and find the same correctly cast.

EDWIN O. DINSMORE, }  
ROBERT P. MORRISON. } Auditors.

## VALUATION OF THE TOWN, APRIL 1, 1868

Real and Personal Estate ...	\$ 339,522 00
No. of Polls.....	218
Poll tax.....	\$3 45
Rate of taxation.....	\$2 30 per \$100
State tax, 1868.....	\$1,750 00
County tax, do.....	750 41
Amount of money raised, 1868.....	8,304 24
Population April 1, 1868.....	825
Debt of the town March 1, 1863....	\$ 7,136 75
do do 1864 .....	7,205 83
do do 1865.....	15,563 41
do do 1866.....	14,000 10
do do 1867.....	16,405 58
do do 1868.....	14,157 26
do do 1869.....	10,256 07







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